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E.L. Osika
Vice President/Secretary/Treasurer
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Dear Mr. Osika:

This letter is to advise you that the Richardson Flat Tailings, Summit County, Utah are being considered for the National Priority List (NPL) under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA, Superfund). The State has conducted a preliminary assessment of the tailings and has conducted a site investigation. As a result of the assessment and investigation, the State has scored the site using EPA's Hazardous Ranking System Mitre Model. This information has been forwarded to EPA, Region VIII for evaluation with the recommendation that the site be considered for the 1985 NPL update.

The State is aware that tailings material has been routinely hauled on and off the site for years. However, I need to advise you that under the circumstances, it would be prudent on your company's part to restrict off-site removal of the tailings from Richardson Flat until such time that this matter has been resolved. I would suggest that you advise Mr. Ray Wortley of the circumstances and potential liability.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me (533-6121).

Sincerely

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Utah CERCLA Coordinator

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